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1. The Postal Telegraph and Telephone Directorate (Directiunea Generala a Postelor, Telegrafelor si Telefoanelor) is located in the main post office on Calea Victoriei, Bucharest.

2. The Minister in charge of the Post Office Department was Valter Roman[1], who was in Moscow as a prisoner of war and who returned to Rumania in 1945. His position is purely political. He has technical advisers for all departments, such as telegraph, telephone, mail service, and cadres.

3. The management of the Post Office Department is made up of a General Manager and two assistant managers, one technical and one administrative. There are departments for cadres, registry, bookkeeping, technical problems, and telegraphy. A special parallel Soviet office has its general management made up of a colonel, two other officers, and a Rumanian interpreter from Bessarabia.

4. There is a regional management with a chief inspector for the city of Bucharest and a second for the Ilfov district. There are also regional managements at Craiova, Turnu Severin, Galati, (including Braila), Ramnicul Sarat, Buzau, Bacau (for the whole of Moldavia, with a branch in Suceava), Cluj, Oradea, and Brasov.

5. Soviet officers and soldiers, some of whom know Rumanian or Hungarian, are attached to the provincial post office.

6. One wing of the head post office in Bucharest is reserved for telegraph and radio transmissions. Entrance to this wing is strictly forbidden, even to senior postal officials.

   a. In one hall of this wing there are three or four Morse machines (an old type of Austrian manufacture), about 18 or 20 Hughes machines, and a number of Siemens Rapid machines, some of Austrian and some of Hungarian manufacture. There are also four or five other halls with similar equipment on the same floor.

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b. There is a separate hall for radio transmissions. Strangers are not admitted there, but they may approach the reception windows. [redacted] 25X1

7. There is a vehicle repair workshop and an apprentices' school for postal technicians, where 220 youths between 15 and 17 are trained, in the Chibrit district of Bucharest. 25X1

8. A depot for telephone material, cables, and old telephone apparatus is located on Soseaua Panduri, Bucharest at the terminus of the No. 25 trolley. There is also a telephone repair workshop in the same building.

9. [redacted] Comment: On 24 January 1953 Valter Roman was dismissed as Minister of Posts and Telecommunications. The present Minister of Posts and Telecommunications is Dumitru Simulescu. 25X1

Key to Diagram

1. Main entrance Calea Victoriei.
2. Strada 30 Decembrie (formerly Strada Carol.
3. Strada Stavropoleos.
4. Strada Sfantul Nicolae.
5. Main hall open to the public (for stamps and telegrams).
6. Side entrance to the telegraph section, guarded by one militaman and a civilian watchman.
7. Corridor with entrance doors to the various halls listed in paragraph 6.
8. Four or five halls for telegraphy.
9. Hall with telegraph apparatus.
10. Room for the technical head of the telegraph section.
11. Repair section.
12. Radio section (with door and reception window on the corridor).
13. Entrance gate to the main post office courtyard (guarded and closed to the public).
14. Side entrance to the offices of the management and stairs leading to the first and second floor only. On the second floor there is a large reception hall.
15. Courtyard with underground depot for parcels from abroad.
16. Sfantul Nicolae church.
17. Carul Cu Bere saloon.

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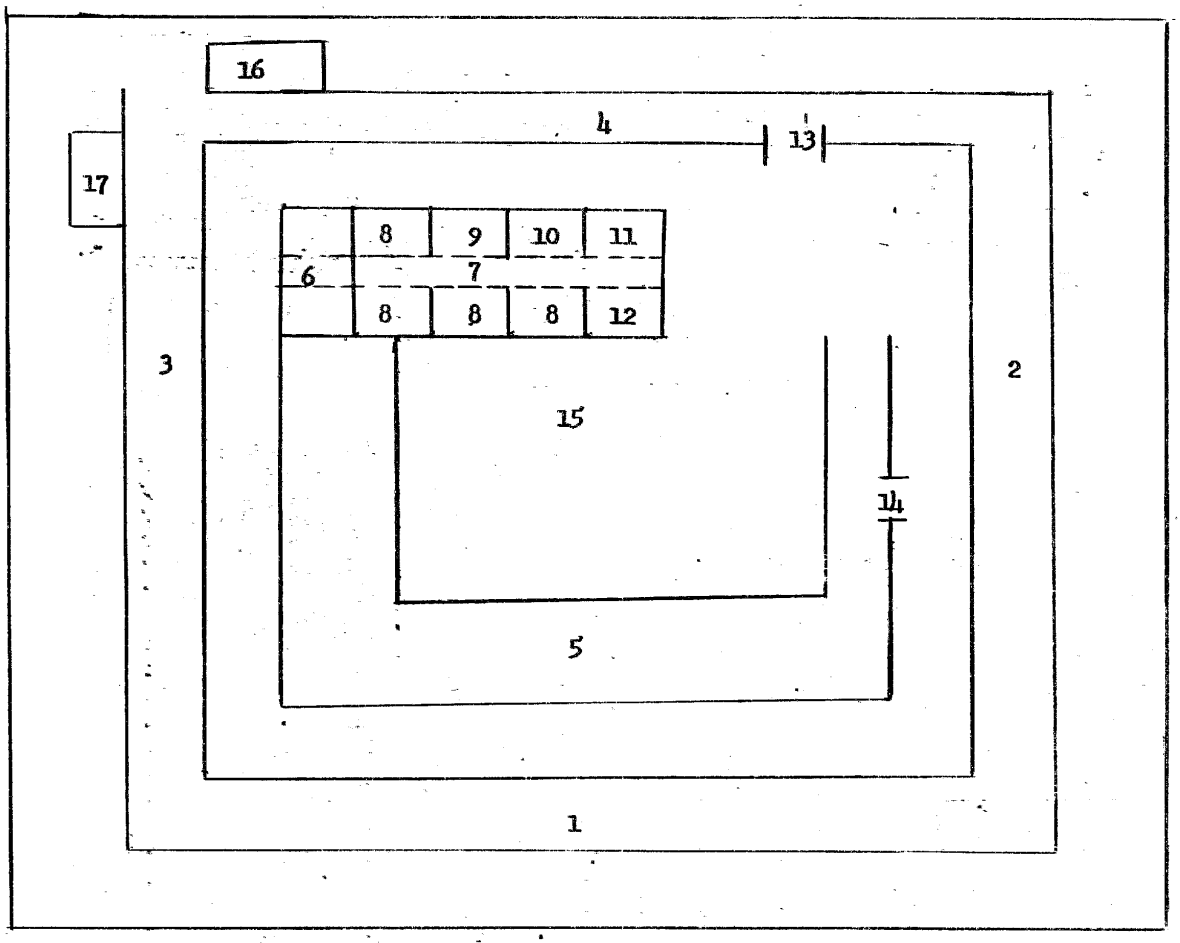

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